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SUBJECT: AHRAM REPORT OF EXPLOSION ON AIRCRAFT CARRYING
FAHMY AND SAQQAF TO WASHINGTON

REF: CAIRO 0773

1. FEBRUARY 18 AHRAM CARRIES TWO-COLUMN ELABORATION ON YESTERDAY'S REPORT OF "EXPLOSION" WHICH REPORTEDLY OCCURRED FEBRUARY 16 ON BOARD AIRCRAFT CARRYING FAHMY AND SAQQAF TO WASHINGTON. ACCORDING TO REPORT, EGYPTIAN INTERESTS SECTION IN WASHINGTON IS IN CONTACT WITH US SECURITY AUTHORITIES, INCLUDING CIA, FBI AND "WHITE HOUSE SECURITY" TO OBTAIN REPORT ABOUT CAUSES OF EXPLOSION. AHRAM'S REPORT CONTINUES THAT BLAST "DESTROYED" WINDOW OF TWA FLIGHT CARRYING FAHMY AND SAQQAF, AND WOUNDED TWO STEWARDESSES, ONE SERIOUSLY, TEN MINUTES BEFORE AIRCRAFT LANDED IN WASHINGTON. ARTICLE CONCLUDES THAT ACCORDING TO TWA SPOKESMAN IN NEW YORK, EXPLOSION WAS CAUSED FOLLOWING BUILDUP OF PRESSURE IN COFFEE-MAKING APPARATUS.

2. AS RESULT THIS TYPE PUBLICITY FROM CORRESPONDENTS
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HAMDI FUAD AND KESHISHIAN, BOTH OF WHOM ARE ACCOMPANYING

FAHMY, INCIDENT IS AROUSING CONSIDERABLE INTEREST AND
CONCERN LOCALLY. AS REQUESTED REFTTEL, WOULD BE HELPFUL
HAVE ANY INFO DEPARTMENT MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE AS TO
WHETHER WE REGARD IT AS AN ACCIDENT OR SOMETHING ELSE.
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